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Art Unit : **2164 (Tel 703-305-3900, Fax 703-308-6296, 6306)**  
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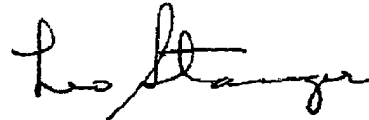
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Submitted is an amendment claiming priority in this application.

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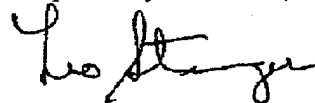
Please amend this application as shown on the attached sheet.

Applicant again claims priority of the following applications:

This application is a Continuation of my co-pending application Serial No. 08/429,758 filed April 27, 1995 and now U.S. Patent No. 6,112,191, which in turn is a Continuation-in-Part of my applications Serial Number 08/018,821 filed on February 18, 1993 and now U.S. Patent No. 5,621,640, Serial Number 08/172,221 filed on December 23, 1993, and application Serial No. 08/428,401 filed April 25, 1995.

The claim for priority already specifically appeared in applicant's Declaration dated December 7, 2000, and submitted with the January 3, 2001 response to the Notice of Missing parts. Thus this claim for priority is believed to be redundant but is being submitted because the Examiner indicated that the PTO records do not show the claim.

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